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The Corps of Engineers Leads, Feeds and Apple Seeds is a bi-monthly news release that highlights what the U.S. Army Corps' New York District is doing in *your* backyard.

May Highlights:

- Harbor crews on harbor cruise snare debris that's floating free
- Housing Team Gears up for Bad Weather
- The Many Uses of Dredge Material
- Timely Repairs for Time Square Recruiting Booth

Harbor crews on harbor cruise snare debris that's floating free. Floatables season is upon us and that means the crews manning the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, drift collection vessels are on high alert: for debris. The Corps of Engineers in partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Coast Guard conduct daily air and sea patrols of the Harbor in search of debris slicks or floatable hazards. To learn more about this program, contact Vince Elias at 917-790-8108.

Housing Team Gears up for Bad Weather. Spring 2008 is a time for rebirth and warm weather; however it also marks the beginning of a more ominous time: flooding & tornado season. But the Army Corps of Engineers, New York District Temporary Housing team is ready for the challenge. To learn more about this project, contact Ken Wells at 917-790-8109.

The Many Uses of Dredged Material. The New York District and its partner agencies have made great strides in the past fifteen years when it comes to using more and more of the dredged material we have in a wider variety of beneficial uses. These range from using silty materials in remediating impacted upland sites such as abandoned landfills, sands for beach nourishment and wetland restoration, and rock for creating artificial fish reefs. For more information about this project, contact Ken Wells at 917-790-8109.

Timely Repairs for Time Square Recruiting Booth. Almost as quickly as a bomb blast shattered a large glass window in the front of the Times Square Recruiting Station, repairs were underway, courtesy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District's Emergency Management Team. The repairs are being done at a total cost of \$117, 625. Scheduled completion is set for mid-May. For further information, contact Mary Stavina at 917-790-8106. Click link for a photo http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/harbor/bytes/graphics/apr08/repair.jpg